

CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS

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BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS MEETING Minutes of June 12, 2013

The meeting of the Cambridge Election Commission was called to order at 5:30 p.m. at the Commission office at 51 Inman Street. Present were Commissioner Ethridge King, Chair, Commissioner Polyxane Cobb, Commissioner Peter Sheinfeld, Commissioner Larry Ward, Executive Director Tanya Ford, Assistant Director Lesley Waxman, and a member of the public, Ethan Cobb. Another, unidentified member of the public attended for a brief period.

I: MINUTES

Motion:

To approve the minutes of June 5, 2013, with two corrections

Moved:

Commissioner Ward Seconded: Commissioner King

The Motion passed: 4–0

II: REPORTS

Executive Director's Report [see attached]

To dispose of the unvoted ballots from the May 28, 2013 Special State Primary pursuant to MGL c.

54, sec. 109 on or after June 28, 2013.

Moved:

Motion:

Commissioner King

Seconded: Commissioner Sheinfeld

The Motion passed: 3-0

Motion:

To eliminate the Public Comment section of Election Commission Meeting agendas on Election

Night meetings at the Senior Center Tabulation Center.

Moved:

Commissioner Ward

Seconded: Commissioner Sheinfeld

The Motion passed: 4–0

Motion:

To approve the Draft of Policy #87.1/6.a

Moved:

Commissioner Cobb

Seconded: Commissioner Sheinfeld

The Motion passed: 4–0

Assistant Director's Report [see attached]

The Assistant Director reported that 123 people have filed their Statement of Financial Interest (SFI) reports. Two were deficient and have been contacted about needed corrections. Forty-five are still outstanding.

The Assistant Director reported that pursuant to the Council Order #O-5 that registration information be made available on the Election Commission page of the City's web site, a preliminary draft link has been up (available only on city computers for testing) for a few days. So far it has worked very well. The Assistant Director reported that they are awaiting a final set of tests for updating the link and once those tests are completed, the link will go up for public use. The design is such that only one name at a time may be accessed and that the search information, First Name, Last Name, Date of Birth, must be exact for someone to access a name.

Commissioners's Reports

Commissioner Cobb reported for herself and Commissioner King that they joined the Executive Director, the Assistant Director, Dana Ham of the School Department, and Michael Muehe of the Commission on Persons with Disabilities for a walk-through of the Graham-Parks School to assess access issues raised by Richard Clarey at the May 28, 2013 meeting of the Election Commission. Further exploration for access to this site is being conducted and a full report will be provided to Mr. Clarey and the City Manager when that review is completed.

III: PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

IV: ACTION AGENDA

Unfinished Business

The next meeting was set for June 25, 2013 at 8:30 p.m. at the Citywide Senior Center 890 Massachusetts Avenue.

There was no further unfinished Business

Motion:

To adjourn

Moved:

Commissioner Cobb

Seconded: Commissioner King

The Motion passed: 3–0

A True Record

Attested by:

Polyxane S. Cobb, Secretary